



Extreme Networks Announces Supercomm 2009 Highlights

New Ethernet Transport Switch Showcased, Carrier Service Provisioning Demo and Extreme Networks Customers and CTO to Discuss Trends in Ethernet Transport Networks

SANTA CLARA, CA, Oct 15, 2009 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- Extreme Networks, Inc. (NASDAQ: EXTR) today announced its event highlights at Supercomm 2009 (October 21-23 at McCormick Place, Chicago, Illinois) including the first public display of its new BlackDiamond(R) 20804 Ethernet Transport switch.

The BlackDiamond 20804 is specifically engineered to address the skyrocketing bandwidth demands of residential video, business Ethernet and mobile backhaul services. Announced October 13, 2009, the BlackDiamond 20804 is the newest addition to the BlackDiamond 20800 series of high-performance carrier Ethernet switches. The BlackDiamond 20800 series extends industry leading bandwidth capacity across Ethernet access, aggregation and metro core deployments providing enhanced network longevity and unsurpassed scalability to carriers worldwide as they deploy next-generation networks to meet today's growing service demands.

Carrier Ethernet Service Provisioning Demo in Booth 2612

In its booth, Extreme Networks(R) will demonstrate its service provisioning solution, showcasing the point and click provisioning of protected Ethernet rings, as well as the activation of services across an Ethernet transport network including the Summit(R) and BlackDiamond 20800 series of Ethernet Transport switches. This demo will showcase resilient Ethernet rings protected by the Ethernet Automatic Protection Switching (EAPS) protocol allowing service continuity in the event of a fiber cut.

Speaking Sessions

Extreme Networks will also be participating in three sessions sure to be a draw for the Supercomm audience:

Session: Carriers as a Service
Date: Wednesday, October 21, 2009
Time: 1:50 PM - 2:30 PM
Location: Room W-181C
Speaker: Dr. Vish Nandlall, Chief Technology Officer, Extreme Networks
Overview: Carriers store more information on their subscribers than banks. Whom you called and when, text messages sent and received, location, user profile, free minutes/texts remaining, etc. There has been little motivation for operators to expose this combined intelligence to any third party, but the threat of disintermediation in over the top applications has changed the game. During this session, attendees will learn how these tentative new steps will lead ultimately to a new "carrier cloud" community, akin to Google apps engine or Amazon EC2, where opportunities will exist for operators to leverage off-deck applications to augment their offer bundles.

Session: Exploration Theater: Changing the Game with Ethernet Transport
Date: Wednesday, October 21
Time: 3:30 PM - 4:05 PM
Location: Exploration Theater on the show floor
Speaker: Mark Showalter, Director of Service Provider Marketing, Extreme Networks
Overview: Attendees will learn how to differentiate services while delighting subscribers at the lowest total cost of ownership.

Session: Surviving the Exaflood: Metro Ethernet Transport
Date: Thursday, October 22
Time: 4:05 PM - 4:50 PM
Location: Room W-183B
Speakers: Moderator: Michael Howard, Lead Analyst, Infonetics Research
Robert Jacobs, Network / IT Director, Phonoscope

Magnus Froste, Head of R&D, IP-Only
Mark Showalter, Director of Service Provider Marketing,
Extreme Networks

Overview: With torrents of data flooding metro networks and customer sensitivity to cost ever-increasing, service providers have discovered the lifeboat to profitability: Metro Ethernet Transport. This panel will showcase representatives from two successful competitive phone companies, European provider IP-Only and US-based Phonoscope, and their use of Metro Ethernet Transport as the underlying technology credited for driving down network operating costs and vastly increasing the amount of information able to pass through their networks. Moderating this panel and offering an overview of the metro Ethernet market and drivers is Michael Howard, Lead Analyst at Infonetics Research and expert in all things Ethernet.

About Extreme Networks, Inc.

Extreme Networks provides converged Ethernet networks that support data, voice and video for enterprises and service providers. The company's network solutions feature high performance and high availability switching that deliver insight and control enabling customers to solve their real-world business communications challenges. Operating in more than 50 countries, Extreme Networks provides wired and wireless secure LANs, data center infrastructure and Service Provider Ethernet transport solutions that are complemented by global, 24x7 service and support. For more information, visit <http://www.extremenetworks.com>.

Except for the historical information contained herein, the matters set forth in this press release, including without limitation statements as to features and benefits of the BlackDiamond 20804 and EAPs products, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date. Because such statements deal with future events, they are subject to risks and uncertainties, including network design and actual results of use of the product in different environments. We undertake no obligation to update the forward-looking information in this release. Other important factors which could cause actual results to differ materially are contained in the Company's 10-Qs and 10-Ks which are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. <http://www.sec.gov>

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